

REMARKS

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed December 11, 2006, Applicants have corrected the status identifier of Claim 1 to properly read "Currently Amended." In compliance with 37 CFR 1.121, Applicants have only resubmitted the corrected section "Amendments to the Claims." No new matter is added.

Applicants believe that no fee is required. However, if any additional fee is due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the fees filed, asserted to be filed or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Deposit Account No. 141449, under Order No. 105090-238, Customer No. 021125.

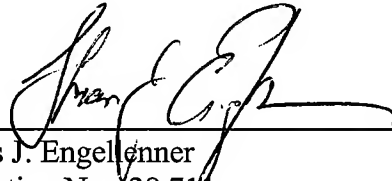
CONCLUSION

In summary, the above-identified patent application has been amended and is in order for allowance. Reconsideration is respectfully requested for all the reasons set forth in the Amendment and Response mailed November 9, 2006. In the event that the amendments and remarks are not deemed to overcome the grounds for rejection, the Examiner is kindly requested to telephone the undersigned representative to discuss any remaining issues.

Respectfully submitted,

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